

How to acquire and maintain Mineral Tenure on Commissioner's Land for quartz mining

Prospecting

- Anyone age 18 or older may enter available land for mining purposes, locate the claim, prospect and mine.

Mineral Claim(s)

- Parcel of land granted for quartz (hard rock) mining.
- Claim size 1,500' x 1,500'.
- Fractional claim is a plot of ground lying between and bounded on opposite sides by previously location claims and is less than 1,500' X 1,500' in size.

Determine available land

- Review claim maps.
- Identify withdrawn areas.
- If within a municipal boundary:
 - talk to municipal government planning office
 - check zoning

Review Staking Guidelines.

- Contact the district's Mining Recorder Office (MRO) if any questions.
- Consult the Quartz staking Guide and the Quartz Claim maps.

Purchase Claim Tags.

Stake the Claim(s).

Record the Claim(s).

- Submit full or fractional application form, fees and sketch to MRO within 30 days.

Mining Recorder assesses claim application(s).

YES

Approve — Claims granted and issued.

NO

Reject — claim(s) denied.

Assessment work on claim(s).
(within one year or payment in lieu)

- Work on claims and/or municipal permit (if in municipal boundaries)
- Any land-based access to claim may require a Land Use Permit.
- Refer to Land Use Permit Application chart.
- Determine what permits may be required. Refer to Quartz Mining Land Use Regulations.

Renew claim(s)?

YES

Note — Apply for a Grouping Certificate.

- Up to 750 contiguous claims can be grouped, allowing work performed to be distributed to any or all claims in the group.

Option 1:
Complete the Application for Certificate of Work renewal form.

- Applicant may be required to complete and submit assessment report(s).
- Check Schedule of Representation work.

Option 2:
Pay \$100 per year per claim in lieu of work.

- Payment must be made by expiry date.

NO

Lapsing Mineral Claim(s)

- Work not performed.
- Payment in lieu not made.
- Claim(s) automatically lapses when not renewed.
- All worksites to be reclaimed (claim holder retains liability).

- Legend**
- Applicant Actions
 - Government Actions
 - YESAA Actions
 - Waterboard Actions